[*Translation*]

Action of Plots

1318. SHRI BARE LAL JATAV: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply given on November 21, 1991 to Unstarred Question No. 2 and state:

(a) whether the information with regard to the auction of plots has since been collected;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c). The matter is still under consideration of the Govt. and a final decision is Yet to be taken.

[*English*]

Investment in Drug Industry

1319. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the country's requirement of medicines by the end of the century;

(b) the estimated expenditure likely to be involved thereon;

(c) whether the resources required for investment during that period have also been worked out; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d). It is estimated that approx. Rs. 16, 000 crores worth of medicines will be required by the turn of the century and that investment to the extent of approx. Rs. 3, 000 crores more would be required to achieve this level of production.

Funds for Housing plans for J.J. dwelling Units

1320. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any funds were allotted to the Slum Department of Delhi Development Authority for housing plans for J.J. dwelling units;

(b) the funds utilised for the purpose and the amount surrendered, if any; and

(c) the reasons for not utilising the full amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) It is reported that funds amounting to Rs. 1582. 40 lakhs were released by Delhi Administration to enable Slums Wing, Delhi development authority, to take up preliminary steps for implementation of the scheme of providing developed plots for self help housing to the economically weaker sections.

(b) An amount of Rs. 65,000/- only was spent out of the funds released by Delhi Administraction, as the scheme was not approved by government. Steps for refunding this amount have been already initiated and so far funds amounting to Rs. 581.75 lakhs have already been refunded to the Delhi Administration.

(c) The amount released under the scheme could not be utilised fully because of